## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 585

## By Kyle

A RESOLUTION to recognize Linda Kay Nevels on the occasion of her retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those citizens who have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm throughout their years in education; and

WHEREAS, Linda Kay Nevels is one such estimable person who has served with distinction for nearly thirty-six years as a teacher at Raleigh Bartlett Elementary School in Memphis; and

WHEREAS, Kay Nevels took a much deserved retirement on May 27, 2009; and WHEREAS, a native of Memphis, she was born Linda Kay Williamson on June 19, 1951, to Erin and Walter Williamson; she lived her childhood years in Memphis and in Mobile, Alabama; and

WHEREAS, Kay Nevels attended Grahamwood Elementary and Kingsbury High School in Memphis before going on to graduate from the University of Memphis in 1972; and

WHEREAS, upon graduating, Mrs. Nevels embarked upon her teaching career at Raleigh Bartlett Meadows Elementary School in August of 1972; and

WHEREAS, on July 9, 1973, she was joined in holy matrimony to Dale Nevels, and this blessed union produced two children, Daniel Bryant Nevels and Lauren Allyson Nevels; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Nevels has rendered sterling service by teaching third grade, second and third grade split, and first grade, lending her wisdom and singular expertise to students at Raleigh Bartlett Meadows Elementary for thirty-five years and nine months; and

WHEREAS, she is the proud grandmother of three grandchildren, and she plans to spend much of her retirement traveling; and

WHEREAS, Kay Nevels exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that are characteristic of a true Tennessean; and

WHEREAS, throughout her estimable career, Mrs. Nevels has demonstrated the utmost professionalism, ability, and integrity, winning the unbridled respect and admiration of her colleagues and students alike; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we extend to Linda Kay Nevels our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement and every continued success in her future endeavors, as we pay tribute to her exemplary career as a teacher.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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